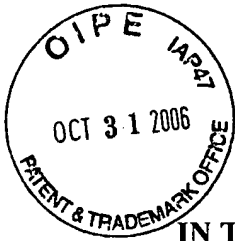


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	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		
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Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES							
						Small Entity	
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Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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